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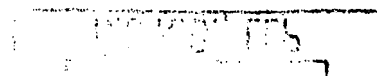
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A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/23/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 06/23/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/23/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/23/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 06/23/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 06/23/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/23/2006
- Assignment filed on 06/23/2006
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**LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to the Notification of Acceptance mailed March 6, 2007 in connection with the above-identified application, enclosed herewith are copies of the documents that were cited in the International Search Report and listed on the attached Form PTO-SB08 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on June 23, 2006.

The PTO is requested to make these documents of record in the file of the present application and to return the enclosed initialed Form PTO-SB08 to the undersigned.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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